BREAKOUT SESSION 6 GROUP A

BREAKOUT TOPIC 1: Please take a count on the following question: Given that communication forums like Science Quarterly Briefings and the MEG are filling some past roles of NPSR, is the NPSR needed going forward?

YES__7__ NO__0__

Frequency: Annual or every 2 years? Annual
Focus: External (non-NWS) participation (NOAA labs, private entities)
Name: NPS Strategy?

BREAKOUT TOPIC 2: Please comment briefly on whether replacing open mic discussions with breakout sessions was a successful endeavor:

Comment: **A resounding YES!**

BREAKOUT TOPIC 3: What can be done to make the NPSR a more productive meeting?

1. **Could consider some read-ahead material (e.g. action items and background material from prior year's NPSR).**
2. **More thought and time for breakout group themes. Additional background material on the selected themes.**
3. **Address data/product dissemination issues.**
4. **Early engagement with OAR labs, stakeholders**

BREAKOUT SESSION 6   GROUP B

BREAKOUT TOPIC 1:   Please take a count on the following question: Given that communication forums like Science Quarterly Briefings and the MEG are filling some past roles of NPSR, is the NPSR needed going forward?

YES__X__   NO____

BREAKOUT TOPIC 2:   Please comment briefly on whether replacing open mic discussions with breakout sessions was a successful endeavor:

Comment: Yes, but maybe fewer breakout topics, balance between one-way and two-way communication

BREAKOUT TOPIC 3:   What can be done to make the NPSR a more productive meeting?

1. **Background information in advance of the meetings**
2. **Expanding NPSR participation**
3. **Follow-up after the meeting**

BREAKOUT SESSION 6   GROUP C

BREAKOUT TOPIC 1:   Please take a count on the following question: Given that communication forums like Science Quarterly Briefings and the MEG are filling some past roles of NPSR, is the NPSR needed going forward?

   YES___12_   NO__0__

BREAKOUT TOPIC 2:   Please comment briefly on whether replacing open mic discussions with breakout sessions was a successful endeavor:

Comment: Very successful, great, more introduction and background. need should drive number of breakouts.

BREAKOUT TOPIC 3:   What can be done to make the NPSR a more productive meeting?

1. **Breakout topics carefully selected for direct interaction between forecasters, developers, prework helpful based on stakeholder developer interaction**
2. **Broaden audience--whole weather enterprise**
3. **Review resolution of outstanding issues/action items**
4. **Breakouts accessible to remote participants**

BREAKOUT SESSION 6   GROUP D

BREAKOUT TOPIC 1:   Please take a count on the following question: Given that communication forums like Science Quarterly Briefings and the MEG are filling some past roles of NPSR, is the NPSR needed going forward?

YES_13_   NO_0__   Each of these play a role in the overall communication between field and developers. NPSR (esp. this year) more broad, with action items.

BREAKOUT TOPIC 2:   Please comment briefly on whether replacing open mic discussions with breakout sessions was a successful endeavor:

Comment: YES, generally, but see below.

BREAKOUT TOPIC 3:   What can be done to make the NPSR a more productive meeting?

1. FOLLOW-UP: report on NPSR action items to be shared broadly, e.g. at a MEG meeting with schedule, at Quarterly Sci Reviews.
2. RE-INTRODUCE: sufficient time for "open mic/ask the branch chiefs" and higher-level mgmt (e.g. Lapenta, Farrar, et al) including Q&A, some presentations (e.g. targeted at a high-level/previous NPSR subject matter/actions).
3. PRIOR TO NPSR: Presentations available, questions for break-outs ahead of time, break-out session suggestions.
4. BREAK-OUTS: have an expert on each topic in the room.

BREAKOUT SESSION 6   GROUP E

BREAKOUT TOPIC 1:   Please take a count on the following question: Given that communication forums like Science Quarterly Briefings and the MEG are filling some past roles of NPSR, is the NPSR needed going forward?

YES_X___   NO____

BREAKOUT TOPIC 2:   Please comment briefly on whether replacing open mic discussions with breakout sessions was a successful endeavor:

Comment: Yes, this was a successful endeavor. If telephone connection access would be possible, that would enable more remote participation.

BREAKOUT TOPIC 3:   What can be done to make the NPSR a more productive meeting?

1. **Start planning process earlier with formation of a full community planning committee.**
2. **Provide information exchange on production suite modeling systems, through non-plenary meetings such as read-aheads, posters, etc.**
3. **Interaction is useful. Feedback improves level of engagement. Looking at things to-gather, e.g., major changes, themes, priorities,and yearly cycles. Get feedback from field early.   Start planning sooner.**